

## **MINUTES**

### **UTAH RECREATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD MEETING**

**August 26, 2003**

**Room 428 – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – 9:00 A.M.  
Heber Wells Building**

**CONVENED:** 9:00 A.M.

**ADJOURNED:** 11:10 A.M.

**Bureau Manager:**  
**Board Secretary:**

Douglas Vilnius  
Karen McCall

**Board Members Present:**

Trish Jensen  
Mario Enrique Alburges  
Shelly Oda Mantle

**Board Members Absent:**

W. Leland Slaughter, Board Chairperson  
Heidi Evans

**Guests:**

Craig Jackson, Division Director  
Laura Poe, Division Assistant Director  
Ray Walker, Division Regulation and Compliance  
Officer

#### **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

#### **DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

Acting Chairperson

**Ms. Jensen and Ms. Mantle requested Mr. Alburges to act as chairperson in the absence of Mr. Slaughter.**

Read and approve the August 13, 2002 minutes.

Ms. Jensen made a motion for the minutes to be approved as read. Ms. Mantle seconded the motion.  
**The board vote was unanimous.**

##### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## APPOINTMENTS:

### 9:30 A.M.

Kirsten Cornia, Probationary Interview

Ms. Cornia met with the board. Ms. Cornia submitted the required 12 step program attendance card and the required employer's reports.

**The board determined Ms. Cornia is in compliance with the stipulation and order. The board reminded Ms. Cornia of the importance of continuing to submit the required employer reports and to attend the 12 step meetings and requested that the future 12 step cards have a signature next to the date. The board requested Ms. Cornia to meet again at the next scheduled board meeting on August 24, 2004.**

### 10:00 A.M.

Sandy Negley and Fran Wilby, Presentation of Proposed Changes in the Law

Ms. Negley, Ms. Wilby, Kerri Ashcroft and Patrick Park of the UTRA presented a revised law for the board to review prior to submission to the legislature.

**Board members reviewed the proposed law and recommended minor changes for clarification and training requirements for TRT's. Mr. Vilnius requested a final draft be sent for review prior to filing with the legislature.**

## DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Lynn Bernhard Resignation and Douglas Vilnius new Bureau Manager

The board secretary introduced Mr. Vilnius to the board. **Board members welcomed Mr. Vilnius.**

Board Chairperson

Ms. Jensen made a motion for Mr. Slaughter to continue as board chairperson. Mr. Alburges seconded the motion. **The board vote was unanimous.**

Department Update

Mr. Vilnius reported that Ted Boyer, Department Director, has taken another position. Klare Bachman, Department Deputy Director, has been appointed as the Department Director. The new Deputy Director is Jason Perry. **Board members noted the information.**

Senate Bill 67

Mr. Vilnius discussed the special committee who has

been commissioned by the legislature to review combining some boards, doing away with some boards and possibly deregulating some boards. Recreational Therapy is on the list for combining with Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy. The committee will be meeting September 2, 2003, at 9:00 am in room 129 at the Capitol Building to discuss the combining of boards only. **Board members noted the information.**

Fee Increases

Mr. Vilnius stated that July 1, 2003, the Recreational Therapy Application fee increased from \$60.00 to \$70.00 for each level of licensure. The renewal fee is now \$47.00. **Board members noted the information.**

2 year renewal versus 4 year renewal

Mr. Vilnius stated that the Division is discussing making the change from the 2 year renewal cycle to a 4 year renewal cycle. The change would decrease the time, expense and resources of going through the renewal cycle process. The legislative body has notified the division that the budget will continue to be cut each year and the division needs to find ways to work with lower budget amounts. The renewal fee would double to cover the 4 year cycle. Therefore, the \$47.00 for the 2 year cycle would increase to \$94.00 for the 4 year cycle.

**Board member agreed that the change would not pose significant problems to licensees.**

Surrender of License

**The board noted that Brian W. Speir surrendered his TRS license.**

**NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:**

August 24, 2004

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT:**

11:10 A.M.

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Date Approved

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Chairperson, Utah Recreational Therapy Licensing  
Board

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Date Approved

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Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &  
Professional Licensing